GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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CENTRAL ASSISTANCE FOR MODERNISATION OF POLICE FORCE
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Governments particularly, Kerala has received central assistance for modernisation of Police Force;

(b) if so, whether there has been shortfall in the release of central assistance in this regard from 2002-2003 onwards;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the share of Kerala has been released as per the approved outlay;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether the Government of Kerala has requested for increasing the outlay in this regard; and (g) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) to (e): To supplement the efforts of the State Governments in modernizing their police forces, the Central Government has been implementing a Non-plan Scheme namely the "Scheme for Modernization of State Police Forces" (MPF Scheme). Central assistance to the States is released keeping in view the demands of other States, security scenario and allocation of funds under the Scheme from Ministry of Finance.
The year-wise details of Central allocation and funds released to Kerala under MPF Scheme, from 2002-03 to 2007-08 are as under:

(Rs. in crore)

Year	Central Allocation	Amount released
2002-03	31.50	25.13
2003-04	22.00	22.00
2004-05	21.70	26.54
2005-06	20.00	18.85
2006-07	3.00	24.53
2007-08	24.00	23.62
Total	142.2	140.67

The Central allocations have been released in full to the State except during the years 2002-03 and 2005-06, wherein the State Government had not furnished full utilization certificates for Central funds released pertaining to previous years. Another reason for less release of Central funds during 2002-03 to the State was due to less receipt of funds from the Ministry of Finance. For the year 2007-08, the balance Central funds would be released within this financial year.

(f) & (g): Yes, Sir. A request has been received from DGP, Kerala for increasing the Central share to the State under the Scheme. However, an increase in the outlay to Kerala at this juncture may not be feasible keeping in view allocation of funds by the Ministry of Finance for the Scheme.